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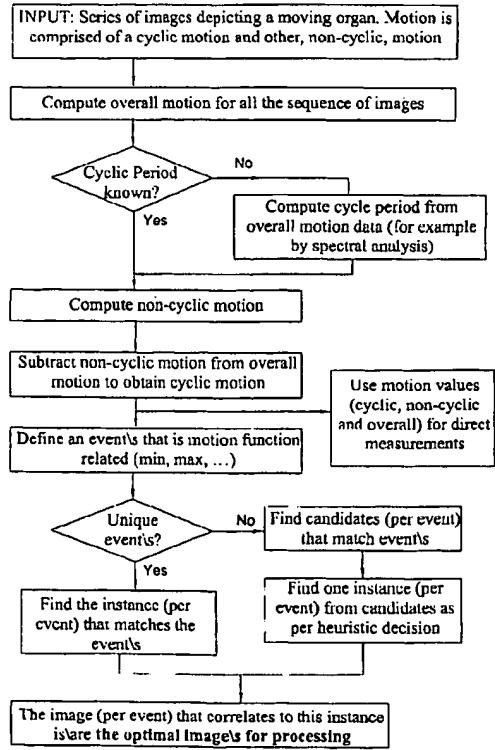
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(57) Abstract: A method and system for quantifying a cyclic motion within a series of images depicting a moving object subject to composite motion containing a cyclic component and a non-cyclic component of lower frequency than the cyclic component. Composite motion is computed. The non-cyclic component is computed as the integral of motion over a motion cycle. The non-cyclic component is subtracted from the composite motion so as to obtain the cyclic component.

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processing a series of images depicting a moving object subject to composite motion for extracting a cyclic motion component;

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analysis of a graphical representation of a cyclic motion for identifying those images in a series of images that depict an event associated with cyclic motion of a moving object;

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